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1. On the night of 15 December the 365 and 366 Regiments, 122 Division, 41 Army, left Canton. While the troops were at the railway station some stated that they were going to Laipin (109-16, 23-42) by way of Hengyang to the Indochina border.*
2. Canton is preparing for seige and air attacks.** Most of the surgical apparatus of the Central Hospital has been shipped away. On 16 December the archives of the Departments of Civil Affairs, Public Safety, Education, Labor, and Agriculture were shipped by rail to Ch'uchiang (113-33, 24-50). The documents of the Kwangtung high courts were shipped to Loch'ang (113-18, 25-08).*** Some equipment was being buried outside of Canton. All government buildings were being buttressed with sandbags.
3. The 173 Division, 58 Army, is being sent from Kwangtung to Hankow. The troops are wearing the breast insignia of the Shanghai-Woosung Garrison.****
4. On 17 December Paoan (113-56, 22-32) was garrisoned by the Kwangtung-Kwangsi Column for the most part, augmented by some northern troops reported to be from units of the 3 Field Army in P'inghu (114-08, 22-41).

* [REDACTED] Comment. These troops have probably been ordered to suppress guerrillas in Kwangsi before proceeding to the Indochina border.

[REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] troops of the 366 Regiment leaving Canton for the north on 16 December 1950.

** [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] preparation by the Canton Government against air raids.

*** [REDACTED] Comment. Other movements of Kwangtung Government offices from Canton to Loch'ang and Ch'uchiang [REDACTED]

**** [REDACTED] Comment. The troops wore false insignia to confuse observers.

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